Jan 3, 2019

Meeting called to order at 8:31pm EST

Present: Erica Seward, Alex Mitchell-Lynch, Susan Tinch, Meegan Pierotti-Tietje and Christy Shaw

Absent: Denny Nester, Chris Allen

Secretary Report:

Correspondence received:

S. Kozinski, Membership chair requesting the Board consider a long-term member for Honorary membership.

Member Robin Davis volunteered to be the 2019 National Specialty Show Chair.

S. Tinch moved to approve the December minutes. E. Seward seconded. Vote: Passed

Treasurer's Report as provided by D. Nester:

I need to move funds from National Specialty for Auction to Rescue and Agility profit to General Fund. I would like to verify first. P & L for the National Specialty has been provided.

Funds as of December 31, 2018

General Fund -	\$1,562.06
Health & Research Fund -	\$3,389.07
Rescue Fund -	\$2,932.68
Specialty Fund -	\$18,648.87
TOTAL -	\$26,532.68

Account Balances as of December 31, 2018

Chase Checking	\$18,787.07
Chase Savings	\$100.00
PayPal	\$7,645.61
TOTAL-	\$26,532.68

Membership Report:

We had all but 2 members renew their membership for 2019, Roxanne DeVillez and Lisa Venegas.

WHEN we approve the new member applicants, 7 new ones listed in Committee-Membership we will have 124 members.

E. Seward moves to accept the recommendation as made by the Membership Chair to permit Grace Hayford to be placed as a honorary member. M. Pierotti-Tietje seconds Vote: Passed unanimously.

National Specialty report:

The Top 20 committee provided a report. The Top 20 will be carrying through the Alice in Wonderland theme for the event. A logo has been designed and fundraising will begin soon. The Facebook page will be available soon as well.

C. Shaw asked the board to think about who can be trophy chair. We need to begin asking for sponsors soon.

Independent Specialty Memorial Day weekend in Medina Ohio has been approved. Several unique events will be offered as well as conformation and coursing. Information is available on both the IHCUS Facebook page and Members page. Please share and help promote the event.

Nominating Committee should have a slate prepared for the 2019-2021 Board Term by February. Once the slate is complete the Board will proceed with the process as outlined in the By-laws to notify the membership.

Old Business:

A.Mitchell-Lynch moves to make a change regarding the rule about dog ownership for a show chair at National and Independent Specialties. The rule proposed has removed co-ownership and reads as follows:

"At IHCUS National and Independent Specialties, the Show Chair and the Show Secretary shall NOT be permitted to enter or exhibit any dogs, regardless of ownership. Furthermore no dog which is owned by and/or resided* in household of the Show Chair or Secretary within six (6) months prior to the show date shall be permitted to be entered. This restriction does not apply to IHCUS Designated Specialties nor Supported Entries. *resided is defined by 30 days or more."

S. Tinch seconds the motion. The Board discussed the purpose of the rule change is to permit those owners whose breeder's co-own puppies placed to enter the Specialty if their breeder volunteers to Chair. Since we have a small pool of members the Board hopes this will permit for more members to be able to serve as the Show Chair. The Board also discussed defining in writing a time duration for residing. With the definition added the motion was called for a vote. VOTE: Passed unanimously

New Business:

Judges Education held a seminar at the National Championship in Orlando.

Move to executive session at 9:04 EST returned to regular call at 9:24 EST

Motion to adjorn 9:41pm

Next meeting will be Thursday February 7, 2019 at 8pm EST.